Virginia Chapter of the Ninety-Nines Toy Airlift



Our veterans and active military have served our country valiantly. Many of them are seriously injured, ill or are otherwise in need of assistance in order to provide Christmas for their children.

THE PLAN:

- 1) Collect new and unwrapped toys by enlisting the help of your friends, family, co-workers, church members, etc. Gifts for children of all ages are needed by Holiday Helper at Ft. Lee for wounded warriors and military families who are experiencing serious financial hardship and need assistance to provide Christmas gifts for their children. Involve your children; let them help choose the toys and give them directly to Santa at the event on Saturday, December 9 between 10 AM and 12:00 PM.
- 2) Pilots from all over the state will fly the toys they have collected into Richmond Executive Airport, formerly Chesterfield Airport on Saturday, December 9th from 8:00 and 12:00 PM, where soldiers from Ft. Lee will receive the toys and transport them to Ft. Lee for Holiday Helper.
- 3) Gifts are also needed for the veterans programs at Hunter Holmes McGuire VA Medical Center. *Patient Clothing—White T-shirts (larger sizes), white socks (for women and men, ankle or no show), men's boxers/briefs (all sizes, most of our veterans are large or bigger), women's panties (sizes 6, 7, 8). Women's undershirts/sports bras (all sizes), thermal underwear (for men and women in all sizes), and sweat pants and shirts (all sizes, most of our veterans are large or bigger).
- *Patient Comfort Items Individual Size (No Glass)— Dentures brushes, dental cleanser, denture adhesive, Deodorant (Men and Women), Body Wash (Neutral or masculine scents), Hand/Body Lotion, Vaseline 3 oz. Small size bottles are ideal, but not the travel/hotel size. Similarly large, economy sizes are often too heavy or cumbersome for patients to handle comfortably. Approximate 8-12 ounce bottles are best.
- *Donations are also accepted to provide funds for various patient activities. Checks should be made payable to: Department of Veterans Affairs. Wal-Mart and Target gift cards are also accepted.
- 4) Come join the fun Saturday, December 9 at Richmond Executive Airport, formerly Chesterfield Airport off Route 10.
 - See Santa fly into Richmond Executive Airport Saturday December 9th around 10:00 a.m. in a small plane!
 - Santa will be in the airport until 12:00 p.m. to greet the children and receive their gifts for the children and the veterans.
 - Christmas carols will be presented by various groups throughout the day.
 - A buffet lunch will be available at King's Corner Restaurant.

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